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TITLE OF INVENTION

FLUORESCENT MAGNETIC NANOPARTICLES AND PROCESS OF PREPARATION

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

- This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
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- This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
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- A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2))
 - is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - has been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
- An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
 - is attached hereto.
 - has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
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 - have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - have not been made and will not be made.
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- An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
- An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

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- An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. (3 pages)
- An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
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- A substitute specification.
- A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
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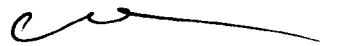
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The document numbers 5, 6, 7, and 8, listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08a/b were cited in an International Search Report mailed on October 10, 2003, directed to a counterpart international or foreign application and have not been previously cited.

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- Before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination under § 1.114. However, if applicable, a certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 (e)(1) has been provided.
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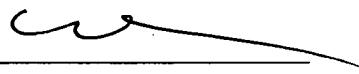
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